

## Criteria for the Seal of Biliteracy

- Successfully complete all high school graduation requirements

- **Complete all semesters of English with 2.0 or higher GPA and**

- **Obtain Proficient or Advanced on 11<sup>th</sup> grade CST in English**

AND

- Receive a score of 3 or higher on the Advanced Placement exam for a foreign language by 11<sup>th</sup> grade

or

- Complete the district approved advanced course of study in the same foreign language, receiving a 3.0 total GPA for all semesters

or

- Successfully pass the district approved comprehensive language examination (or equivalent) that tests reading, culture, writing, and oral skills

## The AUHSD seeks to:

- Encourage students to develop biliteracy skills in English and other languages.
- Recognize and honor our rich and diverse language assets.
- Promote world language and dual language instruction in our schools and as a lifelong endeavor.
- Provide prospective employers with a method of identifying graduates with language and biliteracy skills.
- Contribute to global understanding.

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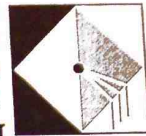
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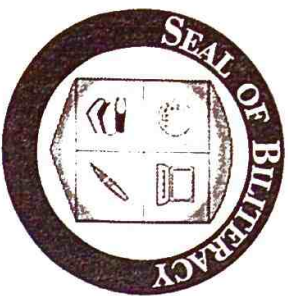


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## Seal of Biliteracy

The Anaheim Union High School District promotes 21st century skills and student preparation toward global education with the Seal of Biliteracy.





## Seal of Bilingual Literacy

In our effort to focus on 21st century skills, the Anaheim Union High School District is leading the way as the first district in Orange County to approve a Seal of Bilingual Literacy.

In the age of accountability, school districts have primarily focused on reading and math scores when measuring academic achievement. A more pressing challenge for schools is to graduate students who not only succeed academically by measure of test scores, but who also graduate prepared for college, career training, or the work force.

At the Anaheim Union High School District, we have joined with higher institutions of learning, employers, and parents to meet the pressing challenge and focus on the skills needed to succeed at that next level.

Students graduating from our district who are proficient in a second language will now earn diplomas stamped with seals recognizing their dual literacy.

To attain the seal, students must show academic literacy in both English and the second language through Advanced Placement scores and/or high marks in both languages.

The goal is to encourage students to learn and master an additional language and to recognize the mastery of two languages as a valuable asset for participation in the diverse 21st century economy.



As the leading voice of the business community, the Orange County Business Council endorses our initiative: "An important component of 21st century skills is fluency in another language (besides English) that will enable California's next generation of business leaders and workers to continue to grow our economic capacity."

The Seal of Bilingual Literacy affirms our district's commitment to ensuring that all students succeed, and provides encouragement to students considering academic pathways that include participation in world language programs.

The Seal of Bilingual Literacy also builds on the linguistic and cultural capacities of students, which empower them with marketable skills they will use in the workplace, at trade schools, and in colleges and universities.

The Anaheim Union High School District's Seal of Bilingual Literacy is an excellent example of how we can give students a more global education, one that could lead them to greater economic success and a better understanding of the world around them.